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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed September 25, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 7 and 11 as follows:

(Twice Amended) A body flid absorbent panel for a sanitary wearing article